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● Today's HEADLINES

gapore Will Stand"

he defenders of Singapore have cheered by the arrival of a e convoy of reinforcements at naval base to supplement the yan army which is fighting its back to the wall in the final e of the Battle of Singapore. Shenton Thomas, governor of island, promised in a broadcast ay that Singapore will be held Imperial might can turn the ion tide. In London, a mili- commentator said that there a possibility that the 18-inch defense guns, which are the st in the world, had been turned ear, against the Japanese main- concentrations.

Bombs Japanese Bases

panese-held bases on Marshall Gilbert Islands were heavily ged by a combined attack of ican naval and air forces, it announced today. It was said this was the first time that ican bombs had fallen on Jap- territory.

es Have Secret Defense Plans

hile the Japanese claimed to taken Pontianak, the capital of ern Borneo, the Australian had no new report except that e bombers were smashing back panese attempts to extend their olds in New Britain, Bismarck pelago, and New Guinea. It eported today that secret de- plans were going into effect island continent.

e West

Africa, the British were driven 100 miles from Bengazi under ttack of Axis forces "in con- ble strength". But in Russia, eedy Russian advance and con- y, the steady German retreat still in progress with fierce ng around the Leningrad front. n sources said that the second hird German defense lines had pierced by Soviet attacks.

ng, Premier of Norway

Norway, the man whose name e the symbol for treachery in nti-Axis countries, Major Vid- Quisling, replaced Josef Ter- Reich commissar for Norway ecame premier. He declared is first act would be to con- a peace treaty with Germany.

Axis President of Chile

e of the South American coun- n which Axis propaganda has one its work well, Chile, the of nitrates, elected a presi- Sunday, Juan Antonio Rios, as backed by Anti-Axis par- ner-up was pro-Axis candi- former president Gen. Carlos Del Campo.

Worry About Orange alade

nge marmalade lovers who been worried by the sugar ng order were relaxing today e of the government an- cement that, in cases where s were bought for the purpose king marmalade, the restric- on sugar would be eased.

Nisei Triumph in Drama Fete

Aki Hyodo Awarded Best Actress Cup For Third Time

Powell Young People's Society drama group continued their prize-winning feats in the annual Greater Vancouver Young People's Union Drama Festival last week, capturing the grand challenge trophy for the best all-round play in the church section, thus duplicating their triumph of two years ago.

Aki Hyodo, premiere Nisei actress, won top honors in the festival being awarded the Percy Gomery trophy for the "best actress" for the third successive year.

"This miss has authority, beautifully flexible tones, and a feeling for drama that puts her work in a class by itself," said Province drama critic, Irene Baird.

High praise was given to Miss Hyodo and to the entire cast of "Star-struck" by ad- who commented particularly upon the excellent enunciation of Nisei actors, Koto Yatabe, Yoshiko Tanabe, Ina Kayahara, Irene Uuchida, Aiko Kondo, Norah Fujita, Henry Ide and Tatsuo Harada.

The "best actress" herself felt that the success of the play was due primarily to the successful co-operation of the whole cast, and especially to the fine work of the director, Miss Yuki Yoshida.

Following are the award winners in the United Church Division:

Grand Challenge Trophy—"Star-Struck"; Powell Young People's Society. Director, Yuki Yoshida.

Drama Trophy — "Sham"; St. George's Young People's Society. Director, Nancy Edwards.

Comedy Trophy — "Sleeping Dogs"; St. John's Young People's Fellowship. Director, Belle Bumstead.

Religious Trophy — "The Summons of Sariel"; the Carnaevon Players. Directtor, Edith Mathison.

Harry Thompson Trophy—"Now Trixie"; Knox Junior Players. Directors, Effie Essery and Margaret Putnam.

DIRECTOR

". . . very pleased!"

To Miss Yuki Yoshida, who directed the Powell Young People's thespians, goes no small part of the credit for the repeat triumph in the Greater Vancouver Young People's Union tenth annual drama festival. With an enviable reputation on the amateur stage herself, the director could only say to the press that she was ". . . very pleased."

Hompa Young People Adopt Constitution

Before a meeting of forty members, the newly-formed Hompa Young Buddhist Association was formally inaugurated Sunday afternoon at the Kaikan. This organization is the result of the amalgamation of the Hompa Y.M.B.A. and Y.W.B.A.

Under the chairmanship of Yoshikazu Nishimura, the constitution that was drawn up by a special committee last week was presented and adopted. Fellowship and social welfare of the members, and the cultivation of the mind and body in Buddhist precepts are the objects set forth.

Following which, the nominees for the twenty-one executive positions were chosen. The elections will take place at a meeting on Friday night at 8:00 p.m. at the Hompa Temple.

The nominees are:

Koichi Kaminishi, George Kenno, Kiyoshi Suga, Kaz Suga, Toshio Mori, Yoshikazu Nishimura, Roy Kumano, Tazo Nose, Tadao Wakabayashi.

Kazuko Kagawa, Hatsuko Shintani, Miori Miyake, Shima Ozawa, Misao Taguchi, Michiko Kinoshita, Chiyoko Hayashi, Jack Kenno, Shizuko Hatanaka, Teruyo Sugiura, S. Ishikawa and Eileen Shintani.

"Faith the Basis of A Practical Life"

"With religious faith, one can turn all things to a good purpose, whether on Powell Street, on the Prairies or in a labor camp," so declared Rev. K. Shimizu, in an informal talk to members of the Japanese Alumni Association, at its quarterly meeting Saturday night.

Speaking on "Faith as a basis for practical living," the well-known minister said that religion gives purpose and direction to life, that it provides a basis for morality, and supplies an aid to constructive adaption to social and economic environment.

Evacuation in Process

First Movement from Coast To Ontario Lumber Camps

VANCOUVER, Feb. 2—First organized movement of Japanese nationals of any size from the British Columbia coast is expected to take place this week, when a number of men will entrain for Ontario, probably on Wednesday, it was reported today.

In Ottawa government spokesmen said that probably 100 men or more would come east to work in Ontario lumber camps.

A Department of Labor spokesman said "They would be hired through our own agency in Vancouver (The Employment Service of Canada), adding however, that "I have not had a report from there about it yet."

Interviewed in Vancouver, Commissioner Hill of the R.C. M.P. said that the men will likely go to Ontario, and that J. H. McVety, director of the Employment Service was in charge of the hiring.

Cochrane Likely

Cochrane, northern Ontario lumber centre, where lumber companies have expressed the desire to hire Japanese aliens to meet an acute labor shortage, is believed to be the probable destination of the evacuees.

Hiring of the men has been proceeding over the week-end in Vanconuver, and the R.C. M.P., it is understood, are facilitating legal steps required under the registration of enemy aliens.

Single Men

The majority going are unmarried young men, who have been working in various industries and stores in the city. Unemployed workers are also included.

It is said that a number have volunteered to go to Ontario in the belief that it is better to move as soon as possible, rather than to wait until the government sets some kind of deadline.

More on Roadwork . .

The CBC declared in a broadcast last night that the Federal Government would announce a detailed plan of removal "within a few days."

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The Daily Province Ottawa correspondent reported Saturday that the labor of British Columbia Japanese is to be utilized to construct a highway from Jasper westerly towards Prince George.

This is not simply a suggested project, according to the report, but a definite plan for which arrangements are being made by two departments—that of labor and that of mines and resources.

500 Japanese nationals will be moved to start the work, and this number will be boosted to 2000 before the project is completed. It will include, besides Japanese nationals, the civilian corps made up of volunteers from natural-born and naturalized citizens.

The roadway would pass through the Blue River area, following the line of surveys made some years ago. It would eventually link up with Prince George and the existing road from there to the coast.

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Ontario Interested

In Toronto, Hon. P. M. Dewan, minister of agriculture for Ontario, stated that a proposal to bring in some thousand Japanese from British Columbia for work on Ontario farms was being studied by the Ontario provincial government.

On The American Homefront

Citizens League Opposed To Language Schools

SAN FRANCISCO.—A recommendation that all Japanese language schools remain closed for the duration and that all activities seeking to re-open them should be condemned as untimely and unwise has been passed by the national board of the Japanese American Citizens' League.

"The re-opening of the schools," said the resolution, "may arouse suspicions and misunderstandings concerning the loyalty and the motives of Japanese nationals and American citizens of Japanese extract."

Three Americans Charged As Propaganda Agents

WASHINGTON.—A federal grand jury today indicted three Americans and three Japanese on charges of failing to register as agents of the Japanese government, although over a period of years they had distributed hundreds of books and pamphlets in behalf of Japan.

The three Americans were Ralph Townsend, David Warren Ryder and Frederick Williams, all of whom were well-known writers on the far east.

The six defendants were linked with the Japanese committee on trade and information (Jikyoku Iinkai) which was set up in San Francisco in 1937, the indictment charges, to disseminate pro-Japanese information and propaganda.

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Dissolving of "Dual Citizenship" Sought

SAN FRANCISCO. — Some means is being sought whereby the dissolving of "dual citizenship" will be recognized by the United States government, it was announced today by Japanese American Citizens' League national headquarters. Because of the closing of Japanese consulates, the former procedure in which the dissolution of dual citizenship was transacted through that office is no longer possible.

TOWN TOPICS

• Nisei Fellowship

A meeting of interest to Nisei and carried on by Nisei, will be held by the Nisei Christian Fellowship Saturday evening, February 7th, at 8:00 p.m. at the Maple Ridge Baptist Church, Haney. Several members of the Fellowship will speak, so an enjoyable session is anticipated. Those Nisei in Haney and vicinity should takethis opportunity to acquaint themselves with the work of the Nisei Christian Fellowship. All who are interested are given a hearty invitation to attend.

Vancouverites interested are asked to contact Mr. Bill Harry (BA 2063-L) or Miss Molly Hirayama (FA 1393) immediately in order that adequate transportation may be arranged.

• Farewell Party

Harry Shota Kondo, well known as a leading light in many local nisei organizations was feted Sunday night at the New Pier Cafe with an impromptu farewell dinner by some friends. He is leaving Wednesday to work in Woodfibre.

• Scribblers' Session

Saturday evening, February 7, is the date for the next gathering of Nisei interested in the art of writing. The Scribblers' Circle will gather at the home of Miss Eiko Henmi, 1116 Burrard, at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend the informal session.

• Another Window

First damage in some time to Japanese premises was reported early Sunday by B. Watanabe, proprietor of the Busy Bee Confectionery, 1100 Robson Street, who told police a soldier hurled two rocks through windows of the establishment from across the street.

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calendar

FEBRUARY

3—Red Cross Unit Work Night, Tairiku Hall.
7—Nisei Christian Fellowship, Maple Ridge Baptist Church.
8—Red Cross Unit Annual General Meeting, Tairiku Hall; 2.30 p.m.
9—Powell Y.P. Badminton Club Roller Party, Happyland.
14—St. Valentine's Dance, U.B.C. Brock Hall, 9-12 p.m., Ten-Piece Band, $1.25 Couple.

Victoria Taiyos May Invest in Victory

VICTORIA.—The first meeting of the Taiyo Club was held last Friday evening, at the home of Masao Kuwabara, with President Harold Kawasoe in the chair.

It was suggested that the club buy a Victory Bond next month, when the third drive gets under way. The February meeting will decide the question.

Harold Kawsoe was re-elected president in election of officers. Assisting him will be Muss Okamoto, vice-president; George Hasegawa, secretary; Saburo Kuwata, treasurer; and Thomas Kuwabara, sports convenor.

Valley JCCL Aiding V-Bundles Concert

The Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens' League will be kept busy this week in assisting the "V-Bundle" organization in their forthcoming concert, to be held Saturday, February 7, in the High School auditorium.

John Gosse, celebrated artist, is one of the 70 outstanding artists taking part in the concert. Tickets are available from executive members of the J.C.C.L.

Optimism . . .

J. C. C. L. president, Kas Okano, and past president Doug Oike have set an example of optimism in these days of uncertainty. Both have entered the trucking field, investing a small "fortune" in new trucks.

Best of Luck, Kaz and Doug!

A Gold Mine . . .

. . . on Whonock Lake. Our sympathies are with a certain young lady who lost a tooth while figure skating a few Sundays ago. You're fortunate they are replaceable, Toyo!

Prince Rupert Patter

PRINCE RUPERT. — Recently returning home from Vancouver were Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Sakamoto and Ryoichi Kihara, where they stayed after taking their boats down to Steveston. Others, who took their boats down, have also returned home.

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Miss Noriko Hayakawa and Mrs. Abe are leaving Prince Rupert to take up residence in Vancouver, B.C. "Noriko" will be missed by her numerous friends here.

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Local niseis and niseiettes are busy working at the Nelson Bros. Cannery where herring is being canned. The cannery is going full blast day and night.

Femme-Fare

By Cinderella

"IT'S JEST DE TEETH . . ."

"If you have it, you don't need to have anything else, and if you haven't it, it doesn't matter what else you have."

So spoke Sir James Barrie, and it all dissolves down to "What is this elusive 'it'?" It comes under a hundred different names. Our grandmothers called it "womanliness"; our mothers called it "being ladylike"; maybe "dignified"; our fond uncle, our proud father, just said it was "sweetness"; the boy friend names it "glamour"; and those who know call it "sophistication".

But Barrie, grandma, father, mother, none of them ever gave us constructive ideas on the subject of this "it" business except to point out that so-and-so is "ladylike", so-and-so is "kawirashii". Remember the times we've spent quibbling about it . . . wondering how and what makes that girl or this girl click. "What has she got that I haven't got?" Remember?

Reminds me of a little story told down South of a coloured mammy who had been bitten by a dog belonging to a man who owned a number of dogs. There was much trouble in trying to decide which of his hounds had attacked her. "Which dog bit you?" she was asked. "Was it Nero, Demon or Neptune?"

"I don't know," groaned the coloured mammy, "the name ain't bothered me none. It was jist de teeth."

We all want to be charming . . . confess up, now! . . . and we all profess to have more than average intelligence. Let's, then, stop quibbling about the name. The coloured mammy had something when she said, "The name ain't bothered me none—It's jest de teeth." Let's be realistic about the whole thing.

Charm is not one trait . . . it's a combination of traits which make an individual what he or she is. What are these mysterious traits? Now if we knew the answer to that one, there'd be a big empty space where this column is. But if we were to take friendliness, zest in living, sys[…] as the basis of all charm, then why are we sitting back and letting the world go by?

Here are some secrets which we can all share. We can all be charming: Make a clear-cut plan for your life and believe that you can and will make it materialize. No rose-colored plan that will set the world on fire perhaps, for that kind wouldn't stand up to the knocks which are to be met in this crazy world of ours just now . . . but a sturdy […] plan, practical, yes (with a little bit of idealism, a dash of romance, a few grains of imagination, to make it a little more than mere routine), to give some balance and order in our present chaotic world. The actual plan may not be realized, but in the trying, there will be satisfaction, and where there is satisfaction, there is poise.

And let's give worry the cold shoulder. We're modern. We live in a haphazard world. What if our plans do sometimes go awry. We have other plans up our sleeve. What if we do have set-backs. We are not alone. Worry brings sleepless nights . . . and sleepless nights add to the quota of years . . . and no one finds a "worry wort" good companionship.

Sure, times are bad . . . bad news everywhere . . . but it's no[…] for you to go about with a long face. Let's wake up each day believing . . . yes, actually believing . . . that the day ahead of us . . . twenty-four hours of it . . . will be *the* day, full of meaning, full of crazy and interesting, worthwhile and trivial things which make the day successful. A happy outlook on life is one attribute to charm. Only a happy person can bubble spontaneously . . . and that spontaneity draws people like a magnet.

Lastly, let's feel a conscious friendliness for everyone we meet. We all our little bag of prejudices . . . and we're "awfully sensitive" as far as our precious little selves are concerned . . . Let's forget the small "I" for the bigger "we". Lets not look for slights, but take for granted that other people feel the same friendly feeling for you that you feel toward them. Lets live "outwardly" not "inwardly". Then, pouf! Shyness slips out of the back door. And really now, who can resist a sincere friendly person? I know I can't.

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THE MUSIC BOX

ONE are the big ranches in the West where countless herds of used to graze. Gone except in ernment reservations are the buf- and the savage, blood-thirsty an tribes. The cowboy, too, is st a person of the by-gone

ut as I mentioned in last week's mn, one may get a clear, strik- picture of the hey-day of the puncher from the genuine old- cowboy ballads.

To begin with, the very life the cowboy led, with its long days and nights spent the open range far-out-of-touch th the rest of the world, just it itself to the growth of a body folk music.

n a western ranch community e was very little difference be- en the pay received by the straw- s, the cowboy, the horse-dealer the cook. We find also that r occupation kept them close to- ice. They had common experi- s, shared common interests. In small community once the 's work was over, the ranch boys ld sit around a comfortable and camp-fire before hitting the ", and entertain each other with- s and songs—more or less reci- ons—of a day's outstanding penings or of some news he may e heard from a neighbouring ch. The evening would wind up h everybody joining in a song of favourite ballads. Possibly a cowpuncher or two would strum a banjo or a guitar for musical accompaniment.

PRACTICAL VALUE

Aside from their actual story-telling qualities the cowboy ballads had a practical value. Some were nothing more than sharp, rhythmical yells used to stir up lagging cattle on the march. Others were simple, soothing lullabies, "dogie songs", crooned by the cowboys during night watches to prevent the cattle from stampeding.

We find songs containing peculiar calls such as "Gi yi yip yip yip pe ya" designed to urge on slow-footed beasts, contrasted with songs with a soothing repetition of words as this chorus taken from the "Cowboy's Dream" (sung to the air of "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean"):

Roll on, roll on:
Roll on, little dogies, roll on, roll on;
Roll on, roll on:
Roll on, little dogies, roll on.

(Morenext week)

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THE TOP TEN TUNES OF THE WEEK:

(1) The White Cliffs of Dover.
(2) Elmer's Tune.
(3) Rose O'Day.
(4) Chattanooga Choo Choo.
(5) Everything I Love.
(6) This Love of Mine.
(7) The Shrine of St. Cecelia.
(8) Blues in the Night.
(9) Shepherd Serenade.
(10) Humpty Dumpty Heart.

Hope Hits Strand With Louisiana Belles

Bob Hope, the guy with the st profile in Hollywood, and emaville's greatest master the deadpan wisecrack, hits screen at the Strand Thea- starting Wednesday in the gest and most elaborate oduction of his career, "Loui- na Purchase".

Supported by Vera Zorina, tor Moore, and Irene Bor- ni of the original stage cast, pe has a field day with his t falling gags well spiced with gorgeous gals, i.e. the luscious Louisiana Belles. And all in stupendous Technicolor.

Hope is an innocent front for crooked politics in Louisiana and when a senator (Victor Moore) starts an investigation of all the dirty doings, Hope to save his own skin and that of the others, has to try to dissuade him by fair means or foul. With the sterling performances by Moore and Miss Zorina, as Hope's love interest, and songs and music aplenty the production rounds out as one of the most sparkling musicomedies to play at the Strand for some time.

Among the outstanding sequences in the picture are, the star's imitation of a woman putting on a girdle, the beauty of the Mardi Gras festival in colour and Dona Drake singing the title song.

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The Week's Line-up

CAGE

Tuesday—
7.00—Marpole-Hurricanes.
8.00—Tuxis-Steveston.
9.00—Monarchs-Nomads.
7.30—Vogue-Magpies. (King Ed. Gym)

Wednesday—
7.30—Shibuya-Marp.
8.30—Maikawa-M. & N.

SOCCER

Sunday—
Ex-Nippons vs. Cambie. (Playoffs at Powell Grounds).

BOWLING

To-night at 8.00 p.m. (Seymour Chapman)

TABLE TENNIS

Friday—
Fairview vs. G.Y.K.
Union vs. Tairiku.

Sunday—
Kits. vs. Maikawa.
Meiwa G. vs. Tairiku.
Mikado vs. Union.

SHUTTLE

To-night—
Y.P.S.-Strath.
G.Y.K.-Maple Ridge.

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Maple Court Comment . . .

Comets Top Tammys--Marpole Jrs. Set

"Mat" Matsui had better start injecting some of that pep toxin that started his boys winning a couple of weeks ago. Last Saturday night Tammy's crew was a sad and thoroughly beaten bunch of melon-tossers after Joe Akiyama's Comets trounced them 34-16.

Satoshi Yamabe played a brilliant game, scoring 14 points, but his single-handed efforts was not enough to keep pace with the Comets. Toki Toyama and Kaoru Natsuhara led the winners with 12 and 10 points.

In junior games, Marpole was handed their first setback by the Monarchs in a close tussle. The localites won by one point, 34-33.

Nomads dug deeper into second slot by whipping Hurricanes 30-15.

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CUP RACE

	P	W	L
Ink Spots	7	7	0
Comets	7	4	3
Celtics	6	3	3
Tammy's	7	3	4
Steveston	7	2	5
Tuxis	6	1	5

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Marpole—Nunoda, Fujioka 4, Ono, Nakazawa 2, Arima 13, Kuwabara 4, Furukawa, Tokiwa 2, Uchiyama 8—33.

Monarchs—Fujisawa 2, Matsubayashi 4, Toyama 1, Fujioka 14, Nishimura 2, Fujisawa, Hasegawa 11—34.

Hurricanes—S. Hayashi 6, Fujibayashi 3, A. Hayashi 1, Takashima 2, Kimura 2, Isogai 1—15.

Nomads—Asano 2, Nishimura 6, Noguchi 6, Iwasa, Inamoto 2, Fujioka 9, Kawamoto 5—30.

Tammy's—Kimura, Yamazaki 2, Kawamoto, Yamabe 14, Saisho, Amemori—16.

Comets—Maikawa, Miyazaki 6, Natsuhara 10, Toyama 12, Uyeno 2, Funamoto 4—34.

Mikados Climb Higher In Ping-Pong Race

The league-leading Mikado's of the senior division climbed another notch higher last Friday in the senior table tennis loop by downing the second place Fairview Bluebirds 6-3.

Fairview-men "Mush" Uyesugi, Joe Ohashi and Harry Maeda had an inspiring start by banging off three straight wins off Yo Hayashi, George Yoshinaka and junior sub "Porky" Ito. But the Bluebird's fire burned right out at this point as Yosi Yasui subbed for Yoshinaka and took both Ohashi and Uyesugi while junior "Porky" Ito surprised the onlookers by trimming Uyesugi and Ohashi down in two straight sets. Yo Hayashi also took his next two games.

The Gakuyukai - Tairiku event failed to take place.

Taiyo Hoopers Chalk Up 4th Straight Win

The Taiyo hoopsters chalked up their fourth straight victory by checking in with a close 37-34 win over J.C.C.L. The Taiyos outplayed their opponents in the first half to lead 29-20. Saburo Kuwata was the leading goint getter for the Taiyos with 15 points while Herby Morita was the pick of the losers with 10 points.

The junior game found the Winged Hearts ekeing out a 16-15 win over the fighting Thunderbolts. The Wing-men had the best of the play in the opening half and led 12-3 at half-time. Jack Onishi topped the winners with 6 points and Herby Morita who started late on in the evening for the club-men led with 9 points.

Taiyos—T. Kuwabara 11, M. Kuwabara 3, G. Hasegawa 6, G. Saito 2, S. Kuwata 15—37.

J.C.C.L.—J. Shimizu 6, H. Kawazoe 6, T. Kuwabara 8, H. Morita 10, J. Henmi, M. Okamoto 4—34.

Winged Hearts—G. Saito 4, J. Onishi 6, B. Henmi 2, S. Takata 2, J. Mori, S. Uyede 2—16.

Thunderbolts—H. Morita 9, D. Uyede 2, Y. Kusumi, B. Yoneda, G. Nakamura, O. Shimizu 4—15.

Tanaka, Akiyama Score Two Each

Ex-Nippons 5—Cambie 1

The powerful Ex-Nippons playing a much superior brand of football, whipped the star-studded Cambie Tigers 5-1 yesterday to take the first leg on the Tanaka Bros. Cup race, emblematic of Nisei Soccer League supremacy. The second, and perhaps final, game of the two-out-of-three playoffs will be played next Sunday morning.

Ex-Nippon players really tucked on their scoring pants yesterday to be sure they would not be caught napping as in the first game, when they just managed to tie up the battle as the final whistle went.

Eichi Goto's men took an early jump on the Tigers scoring two goals before referee Negoro sounded the half-time whistle. Season's high-scorer Nobby Tanaka accounted for the first counter on a penalty kick. Aggresive Joe Akiyama scored the second. Nippons just missed marking up their third goal when substitute goalie George Kutsukake made a valiant save of Nobby Tanaka's second penalty shot.

The second half was a repetition of the first with the Nippons leading all the way. Particularly outstanding in the second stanza was Baron Wakabayashi, sure-footed wingman who kicked three beautiful, high-lobbing corner kicks, two of them which found their way to the itching toes of Joe Akiyama and Nobby Tanaka as they scored their second goals each. The third corner kick was deflected off a Tiger-man in a mad scramble in front of the goal mouth.

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What Future for Steveston?

By JIMMIE KAKUTANI

STEVESTON.—To the hurried observer, Steveston today is calmly accepting each day for what it's worth. Here in this fishing village a dozen miles from Vancouver, several hundred fishermen, with their families, have suddenly been deprived of their means of livelihood. Yet today, it almost seems, is the same as yesterday; and tomorrow will be the same as today.

Actually, of course, this is not true, and the people realize it. Beneath the calmness one senses the tense uncertainty of a whole village facing a blank wall. Last year's good season will tide the families over until spring. But carefully saved reserves dwindle all too quickly, when the future is only a question mark. One senses the tension most of all in the idle talk of young and old, lounging at home and in the pool hall. Some talk of farms, or the logging camps. Some of the interior or the east. Some wonder if they should part with their boats—still clinging to the hope that by a miracle, they will be able to go about in the spring up and down the river, into the Gulf, up the coast to Skeena, just as they have for years and years. They grapple anxiously yet hopefully with an uncertain future.

But the little children are yet carefree, playing and laughing gaily in the streets. Innocent victims to the cares of their parents. From the window, one sees too the "Otofu-man", elderly, tired, still pulling his wagon behind him down the street. And from the near-by market the delivery boy makes his daily rounds, cheerfully whistling to the tune of a popular lyric. The cars go up and down, sometimes a motocycle roars down the main street, sometimes an airplane drones overhead.

A cloak of nonchalance garbs the village. In one section, a pioneer resident is making expensive improvements to his home. On December 7, he stopped his construction work. But regaining confidence he is pushing it ahead again. In another part of the village I visited the barber shop. In came Occidental-Canadians, and an elderly Chinese gentleman, poking friendly fun with his "Obasan, Obasan . . . " The little candy stores open for business each day, as do the fish markets, the tin smith, the drygoods store, and the hardware merchant. Battle and sudden death is far away.

In the family a new filial relationship is developing. Each evening the younger generation is busily occupied in translating the daily newspaper and the radio broadcast to the older people. Poor little Jiro! This afternoon he wanted so much to go out to play after school with the other youngsters. But his father wanted him to stay at home to read the newspapers for him. I visited another home. There an old, grey-haired fisherman, sitting comfortably by the warm fire, is so deeply engrossed in reading out the strange words, he does not notice my entrance.

At the end of the day, as the sun sinks quietly beyond the Gulf of Georgia, twilight silhouettes the bleak canneries along the waterfront and the forlorn houses nearby. The main street at night is deserted. But the lights from the store windows cast brave patches of brightness along the lonely street, until one by one they go out, and darkness envelopes the whole village.

Each one seeks his bed for a night's rest. Perhaps to dream of the trim white-painted gill-netter bucking the Fraser in flood, perhaps of the din and smell of the cannery, perhaps the clean, salt spray of the Gulf. Perhaps only to waken again in the dawn, wondering what new and strange changes the day will bring.

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Morons vs. Streetcar Conductors . . .

Sometimes you wonder how people can be so moronic and yet exist under the name of ordinary common citizens . . . for instance you've all seen this variety of moron . . . who takes it out on the conductor because he had to wait five minutes extra for his street car . . . you'd think the conductor was responsible for all and sundry in connection with the transportation . . . and another thing I think that some of those suffering ticket collectors are examples of super-men of patience the way they control themselves . . . that's one job I wouldn't like to hold . . . a little bird with nice long black hair has just whispered to me that they wouldn't take a drip like me anyhow . . .

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Speaking of the Weather . . .

Gee, the weather's really super duper these weekends isn't it . . . and then some week nights are simply scrumptious, too . . . with a beautiful moon and a brilliant star-studded sky . . . boy, I'm getting poetical . . . well, after all; February is the month in which Valentine's Day falls so . . . you really can't blame me for being in a romantic mood . . .

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Well, Girls, Here We Go Again . . .

Arabella has said to me, just imagine, you havent mentioned girls at all yet in this session . . . so trying not to disappoint my public of two . . . i.e. Arabella and the Editor Esq. . . . here I go . . . I for one dont like girls who are the Japanesy type . . . you know, they sit around quietly and are very "otonashii" . . . which might be very nice but usually is very, very boring . . . I like girls like Arabella . . . who makes a lot of noise when she feels like it . . . throws a mean and not too corny crack at me when I deserve it . . . all in good fun of course . . . and generally enjoys life . . . that is, as one nisei sage put it: she lives, she doesn't just exist . . .

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My Popularity With Women . . .

And you know all this talk about all males of Japanes origin sometime or the other winding up East made a girl say to me, gee, we gals aren't going to have any fun then . . . so, me, conceited ass that I am, said, thank you very much . . . to which came the crusher . . . no, I didn't mean you . . . man, am I appreciated . . .

All that's left . . . ***. . . by J. H.***

Steps In Union Negotiations

ONCE **an organization is established the next step in collective bargaining** is to enter into negotiations with the employer or association of employers, with the object of reaching an agreement concerning recognition of the bargaining agency, hours and conditions of work, rates of pay, and other provisions.

The first step is usually taken by the union by a letter to the management, or if the employers are organized and have carried on negotiations before as a group, to their association, informing them that their employees, or a majority of their employees have become members of the union and have elected them as their bargaining agency, and would like to meet their employers at a date to be arranged with the object of concluding a collective agreement.

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The employer or the association of employers, as the case may be, may reply that they will meet the union as the representatives of their employers and forthwith enter into negotiations. But this is not usually the case in British Columbia. Employers have, up to this date, almost adopted as their practice the ignoring of the letter from the union. If this should happen the employees have no recourse but to appeal to either the Provincial or Federal Department of Labour for the appointment of a conciliation commissioner, and follow the established conciliation procedure as set down under the Provincial Industrial Concilation and Arbitration Act for disputes coming under Provincial jurisdiction, and the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act for disputes under Federal jurisdiction. We shall deal with conciliation and arbitration at a later date.

Some employers have replied that they will be willing to meet their employees or a committee of their employees to discuss matters of mutual interest. This would result in some form of company union with the workers having no effective influence in discussions and decisions, and furthermore this will mean that union officials who're really the most important persons in negotiations, giving of their training and experience, will be excluded.

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In cases where union officials are excluded or are not recognized their official capicities no genuine collective agreement can be formulated. This would mean that the union would not be recognized as the bargaining agency of the men. This point of union recognition is often the thorniest of all in industrial disputes. This point must be cleared up first before negotiations can proceed, otherwise the agreement will have no means of effective enforcement. To avoid the enforcement of a collective agreement, and yet to hide within the form of the procedure of bargaining, employers in some cases will not concede this point to their employees, even at the risk of work stoppages. Labour agreements cannot be enforced unless the employees have their own independent organization, free from employer control or influence, who make it their task to see that both the workers themselves and management live up to the terms contained in the agreement.

Workers are usually quick to see the ineffectiveness of an agreement without union recognition and insist on union officials being present and recognized as such in all conferences. But should management refuse to meet the men on this basis then an application must be made for a conciliation commissioner. The function of the commissioner is to do all in his power to bring the parties to the dispute together to enter into or resume negotiations.

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Should the employer signify his willingness to meet the union and to recognize it as the bargaining agency of the men a date for the conference which is mutually agreeable is arranged. The employer and his assistants or representatives are present, and appearing for the men are the officials of the union, possibly a vice-president from the head office staff and one of the district organizers along with some delegates elected by the local who are employees of the company concerned.

A draft agreement is usually presented by the union and possibly a counterproposal issued by the company. We shall discuss the contents of union agreements in our next issue.

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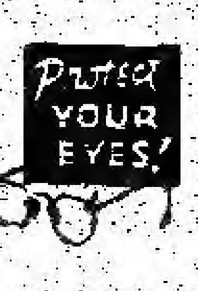

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